

Questionnaire for E-Gov Presidential Initiative or Line of Business Standards Selection Process

Background:

Each E-Gov Presidential Initiative and Line of Business (LOB) requires the use of standards for deployment of innovative, web-based information technology (IT) services. Standards are required to ensure the necessary interoperability and security between government agencies, businesses, and citizens. Such standards are generally private sector, consensus-based standards. In cases where no suitable private sector standards are available, USG may develop and adopt government unique standards.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has recognized the need to identify and validate appropriate and effective standards for E-Gov applications to ensure that the most effective standards are used in E-Gov applications and has assigned this responsibility to NIST. The lack of uniform, effective standards can lead to problems in internet accessibility, data compatibility, as well as national security and personal privacy concerns. NIST has established this E-Gov validation process to address such concerns and to assist federal agencies in the selection of appropriate E-Gov standards.

Instructions:

Please complete the questionnaire in its entirety and forward to:

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1. Title of E-Gov Initiative or Line of Business: e-Training
2. Initiative / LOB website: <http://www.opm.gov/egov/e-gov/e-training/index.asp>
3. Name and contact information for responsible Project Manager: Martha Mitchell, Office of Personnel Management, (202) 606-4836, Martha.Mitchell@opm.gov
4. Name and contact information for questions regarding standards used in this initiative/LOB (if different from above):
5. Describe the process that was undertaken to choose and/or develop the standards required to implement the objectives of the Initiative or LOB: Federal Task Force (23 agencies) developed HR LOB Target Requirements, and Federal Enterprise Architecture HR LOB Enterprise Architecture Reference Models for the Human Resources Development Sub-function (BRM, DM, PM, SCM). E-Training data standards derived from the OPM Guide to Human Resources Reporting.
6. When determining standards needs were consensus standards given first consideration? If not, why? Consensus standards were derived from the federal interagency task force, the Multi-Agency Executive Strategy Committee (MAESC), and the Learning and Development Advisory Council.
7. Describe the process used to ensure that input from all appropriate stakeholders, public and private, was considered? OPM's HR LOB/eGov clearance process for standards requires that all standards are vetted and approved by the governance structure. Member agencies listed in number 8 below..
8. Please list participating federal agencies involved in selecting or developing and implementing standards for the initiative/LOB: Task Force and MAESC participating agencies include: OPM, DHS, DoC, DoD, DoE, DoI, DoJ, DoL, DoT, ED, EPA, GSA, HHS, HUD, Intel, NASA, NSF, SSA, State, Treasury, USAID, USDA, VA.
9. Please list participating state or local governments agencies involved in developing and implementing standards for the initiative/LOB: N/A
10. Please list participating private sector organizations involved in developing and implementing standards for the initiative/LOB: HR LOB Program Management Office contract support.

11. Please list participating voluntary consensus standards bodies involved in developing and implementing standards for the initiative/LOB: Advanced Distributed Learning (ADL) SCORM tools and specifications. Section 508 compliance standards

12. Please provide a list of standards relevant to the development and implementation of the initiative/LOB. (Please include the standard's designation, full name, date, and if available, the URL to the standard).

Section 508: <http://www.section508.gov/>

NIST Special Publications 800 Series: <http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/PubsSPs.html>

NIST SP 800-37: Security Certification and Accreditation of Federal Information Systems: <http://csrc.nist.gov/groups/SMA/fisma/CnA.html>